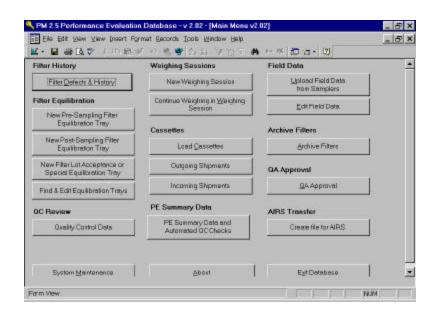
# Performance Evaluation Program Data Management

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### **PEP Data Management**

- Background
- Data Validation
- Approval
- AIRS submittal
- Next Steps

# PEP Data Management Background

- Implemented Access database in each of two regional quality assurance laboratories in early '99
  - Athens, Georgia
  - ► Manchester, Washington
- First versions of database focused on acquisition of data
  - matching laboratory SOP's with need to track many types of data
  - acquiring sampler data through electronic data package

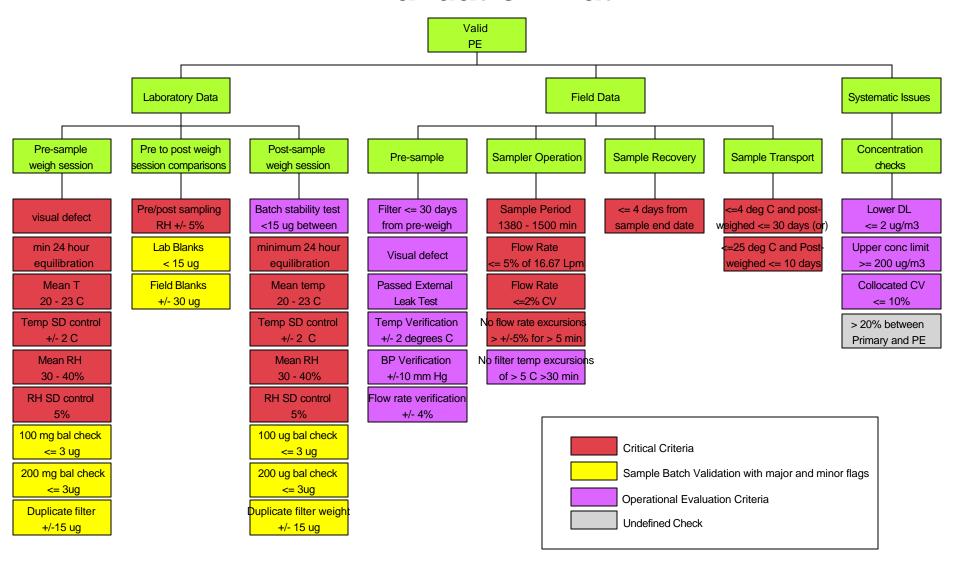
# Designing Current Version of PED to incorporate validation

- Need to distinguish Performance Evaluation (PE) data as "valid" or "rejected"
- Need to have appropriate manager approve data as "valid" or "rejected"
- Identify all criteria into a system that can be broken down by:
  - where data is produced
  - ▶ when data is produced
  - whether data is part of:
    - Critical criteria
    - Sample batch validation
    - Operational evaluation criteria

#### PEP data validation

- Used PEP QAPP section on "Validation and verification of methods" as basis for setting up data validation process.
- Setup PED to identify for each performance evaluation the:
  - Critical criteria
  - Sample batch validation criteria
  - Operational evaluation criteria
- Compare associated PE data to acceptable parameters for each criteria

#### **PEP Validation Matrix**



# Data that feeds into the validation process

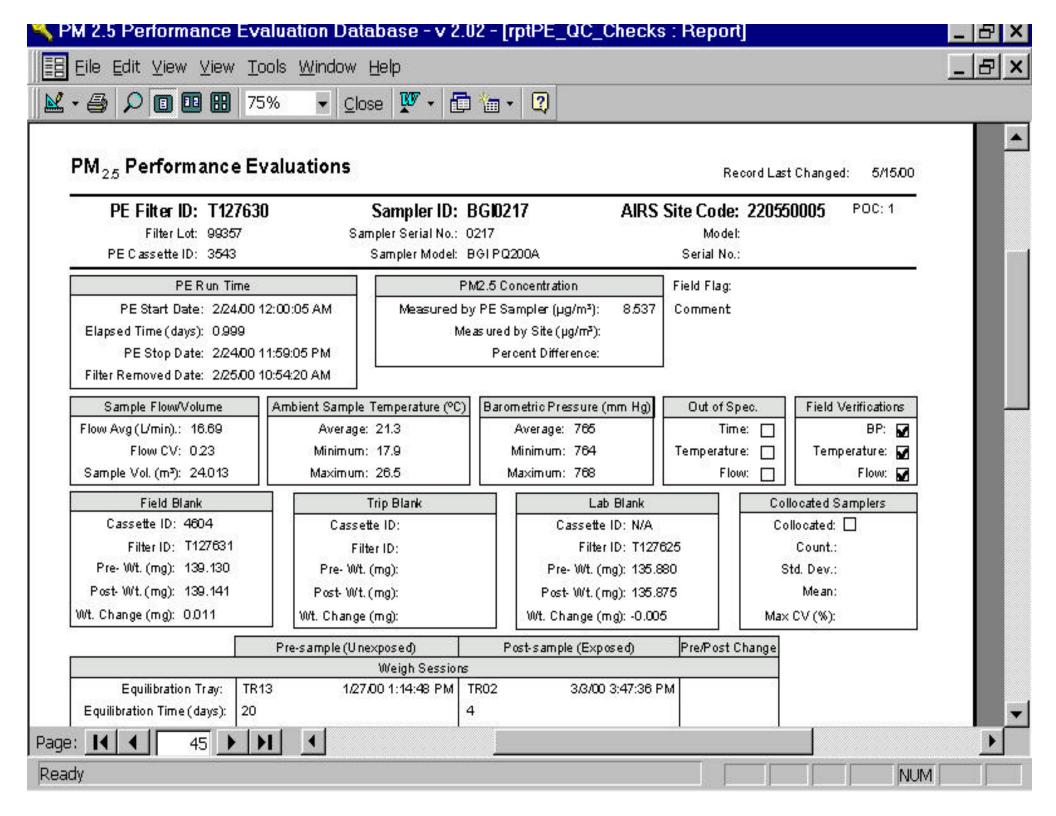
- Laboratory data
- Field Data
  - Electronic data package
  - ► Information from the Field Data Sheets (FDS)
- Systematic Issues
  - ► Range and CV checks

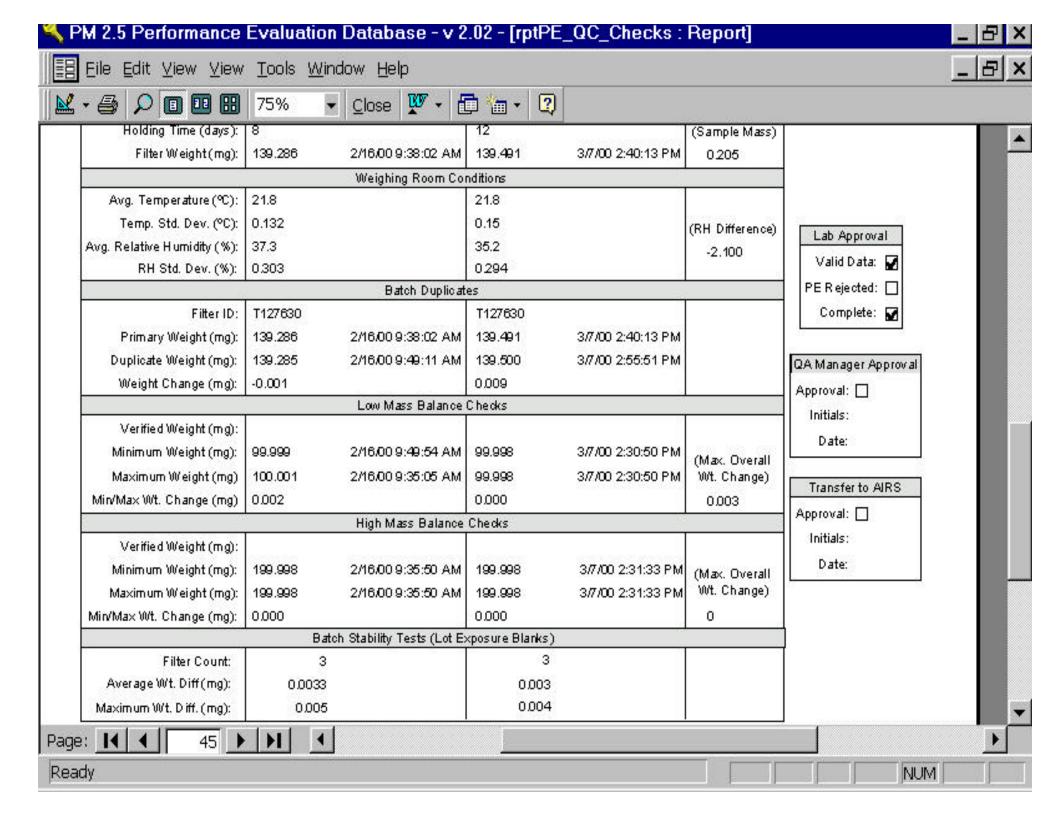
#### **PEP Data Validation**

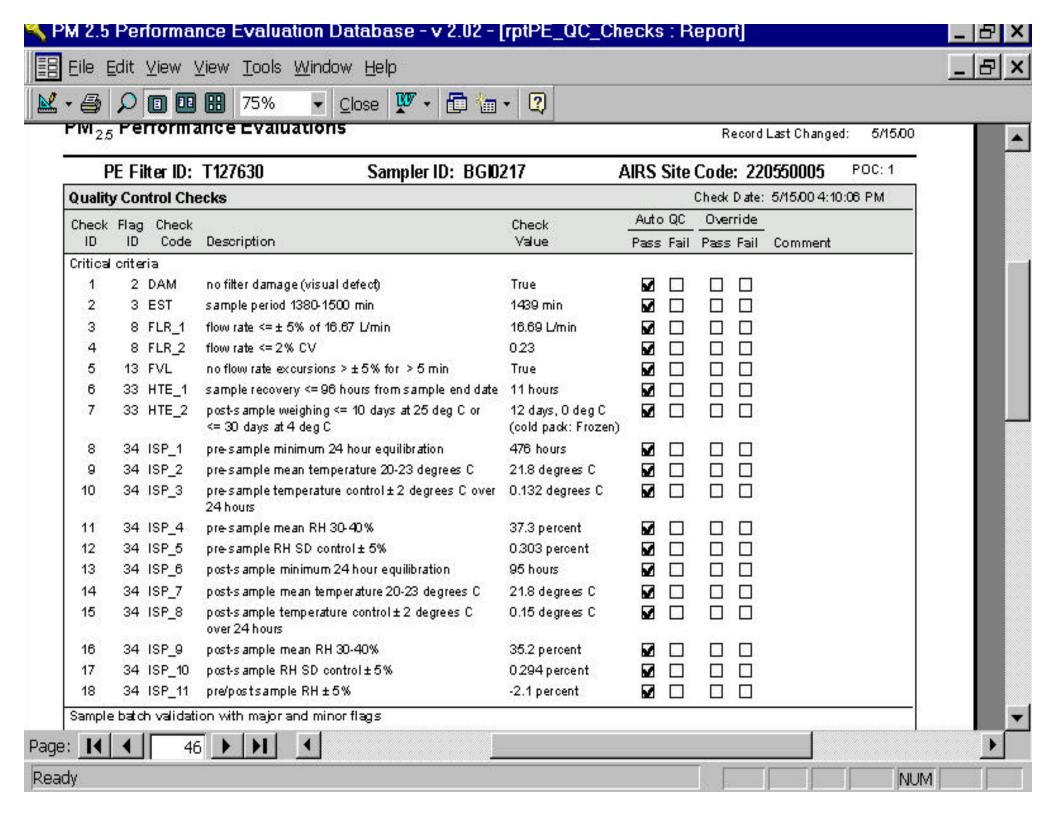
- If all criteria "pass", PE identified as:
  - "Valid Data" and
  - ► "complete"
- If one or more criteria:
  - "fail", allow for correction or override:
    - Corrections may be made due to entry errors
    - Overrides may be made when non-critical criteria have minor flags associated with them
  - PE's that have a "fail" are not automatically marked as "complete"

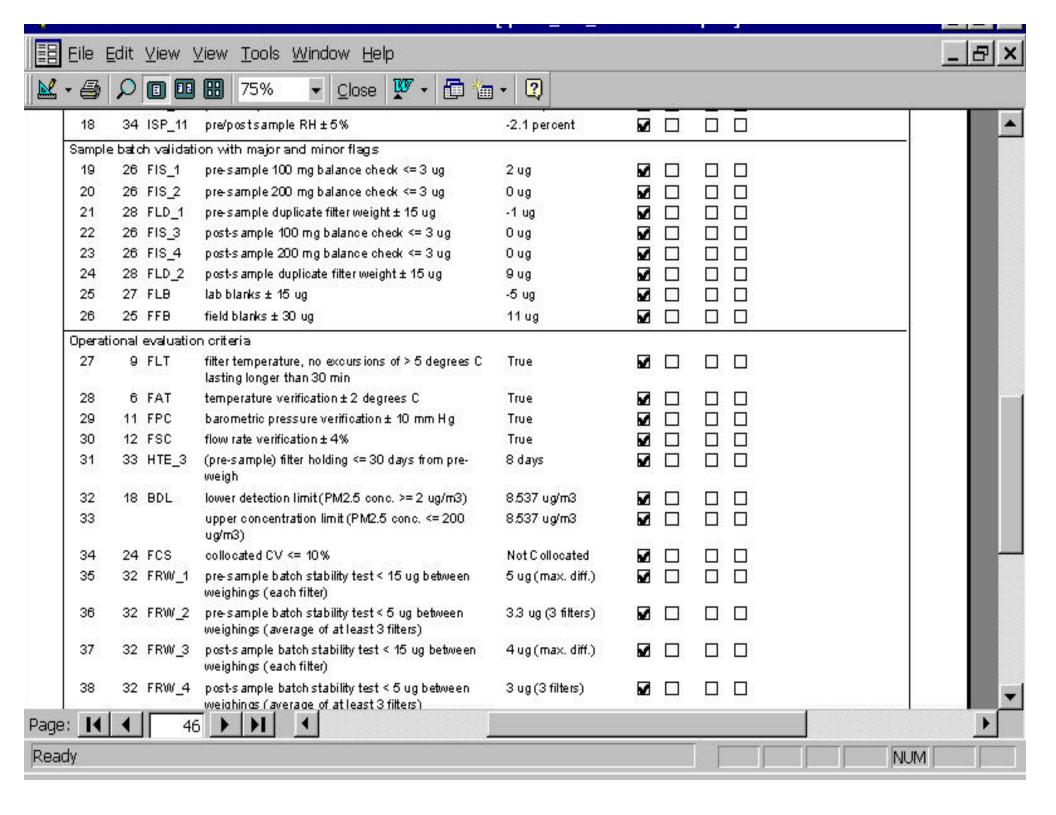
## PEP Data Validation (continued)

- Re-run validation only for those samples that have not already been completed.
  - ▶ PE "Valid" and "Complete"
  - ▶ PE "Rejected"
  - ► PE can be marked "Complete" or more corrections and overrides can take place.









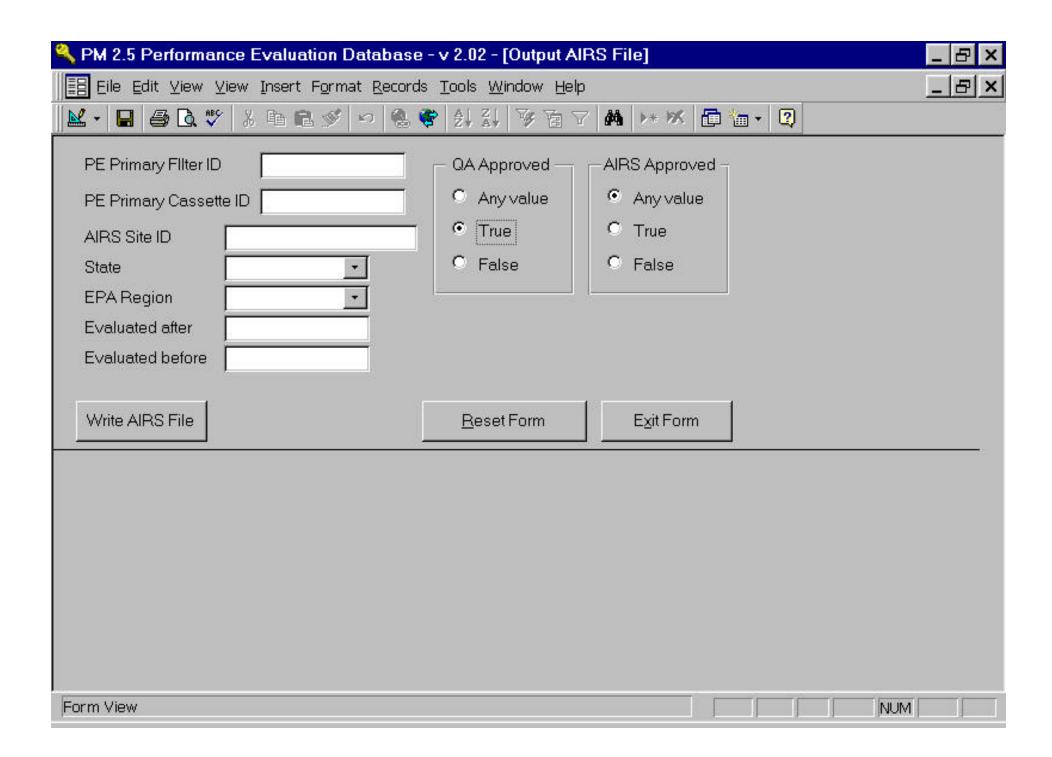
### **QA Manager Approval**

- Once Laboratory Analyst has PE's identified as either:
  - "Valid Data" and "Complete" or
  - "PE Rejected" and "Complete"
- PE's are submitted to the QA Manager for approval:
  - Can have "Approval" or
  - Returned to lab for further investigation

### **AIRS Data Submittal**

- Once data are approved by the QA manager AIRS transactions of those PE's can be generated.
- Example transactions from database output to text file:

| 942133000888101171059906111 118 | I |
|---------------------------------|---|
| 942043040188101171059906111 123 | I |
| 942129000888101171059906171 125 | I |
| 942101013688101171059906231 181 | I |
| 942095002588101171059906081 266 | I |
| 942101013688101171059906021 223 | I |
| 942003029088101171059906021 220 |   |



### **Next Steps**

- Full validation of '99 dataset in each lab
- Approval by each QA manager
- Decision on submittal to AIRS?
  - Current system does not provide the required statistics identified in part 58
  - Current system requires submittal of audit and State primary data in the same transaction; therefore need to have "Official" State value before submittal of PE values
  - Re-engineered system allows submission of audit data independent of State primary value